REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2004. Claims 1-20 were examined in the Office Action. Claims 1-20 were rejected. Claim 5 has been canceled and claims 1, 4, and 19 have been amended with elements from canceled claim 5 in accordance with the substance of interview and 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. No new claims or new matter has been added. Examination and reconsideration based on this Amendment and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Substance of Interview Summary

A telephonic interview occurred between the undersigned, Murrell Blackburn, Examiner Miranda Le, and Primary Examiner Jean M. Corrielus on Wednesday, June 2, 2004. The interview covered the rejections to claims 1, 4, 5, and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,476,833 to Moshfeghi et al. (hereinafter "Moshfeghi").

The Examiners indicated that independent claims 1, 4, and 19 could be amended with elements from claim 5 in order to overcome the art of record and expedite prosecution of the present application. Specifically, the Examiners indicated that claims 1-4 and 6-20 would likely be in a condition for allowance after such an amendment.

This written amendment and response is thus, submitted in follow-up to the telephonic interview for consideration by the Examiner, as it is believed to have placed the application in condition for allowance.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Moshfeghi. As stated above, independent claims 1, 4, and 19 have been amended with elements from canceled claim 5 to at least overcome the art of record. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that Moshfeghi does not teach each and every feature of Applicants' amended independent claims 1, 4, and 19.

Claim 1

Applicants' claimed invention as recited in amended claim 1 is drawn to an HTML file format implemented within a computer system for redirecting an application program to an alternative source file to import an underlying data source associated with the at least one HTML

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data object into the application program. The HTML file format comprises, among other features, (1) <u>a redirection flag associated with the at least one HTML data object wherein when the redirection flag is not disabled, the application program is redirected by the redirection attribute to retrieve the underlying data source from the alternative source file upon selection via the Web page of the at least one HTML data object for import and wherein when the redirection flag is disabled, the HTML data object is imported from the Web page to the application program.</u>

The Office Action initially stated "Moshfeghi teaches determining whether a redirection flag associated with the HTML data object is disabled" and recited column 18, lines 1-54, column 20, line 53-column 21, line 61 in support. Applicants submit that although Moshfeghi teaches HTML links that are not allowed and anchor tags that are deleted, Moshfeghi fails to teach or suggest a redirection flag that is disabled or not disabled. Upon review of the cited sections and discussion in the Examiner interview of June 2, 2004, it was agreed that Moshfeghi does not teach a redirection flag as recited in Applicants' amended claim 1. Thus, at least for this reason amended claim 1 is allowable over Moshfeghi.

<u>Claims 4 and 19</u>

Applicants' claimed invention as recited in amended claim 4 is drawn to a method for redirecting an application program to an alternative source file to retrieve an underlying data source associated with a plurality of HTML data objects displayed in a Web page as provided by a source website, where the HTML data objects are stored in HTML format. The method includes, among other features, (1) if the HTML data object tag comprises a redirection attribute <u>determining whether a redirection flag associated with the selected data object is disabled and (2) if the redirection flag is not disabled</u> performing the sequence. The sequence includes retrieving the connection string from the redirection attribute, opening the alternative source file identified by the connection string, retrieving the underlying data source; and importing the underlying data source into the application program. The method also includes (3) if <u>the redirection flag is disabled</u>, then importing the HTML data object from the Web page into the application program.

As described above with respect to amended claim 1, Moshfeghi does not teach a redirection flag such that <u>if the redirection flag is not disabled</u> the sequence is performed and if <u>the redirection flag is disabled</u>, then importing the HTML data object into application program

from the Web page instead of from the alternative source file. Thus, Applicants' amended claim 4 is also allowable over Moshfeghi.

Similarly, Applicants' claimed invention as recited in amended claim 19 is drawn to a method for redirecting an application program executing on a computer system to an alternative location in order to retrieve underlying data stored in the alternative location. The method includes, among other features, (1) in response to the HTML data object tag containing the redirection attribute determining whether a redirection flag associated with the selected HTML data object is disabled and (2) if the redirection flag is not disabled, executing a sequence. The sequence includes redirecting the application program to the alternative location identified in the redirection attribute and retrieving the underlying data from the alternative location and importing the underlying data into the application program where the underlying data defines an original data type of the HTML data object whereby the application program is enabled to correctly interpret data semantics of the HTML data object. At least for the same reasons as stated above with regard to amended claim 4, Applicants' amended claim 19 is also allowable over Moshfeghi.

Further, the Office Action cites column 19, lines 1-9 in support of an assertion that Moshfeghi teaches executing a sequence where the sequence includes importing the underlying data into the application program where the underlying data defines an original data type of the HTML data object whereby the application program is enabled to correctly interpret data semantics of the HTML data object. Applicants traverse this assertion and submit that nowhere in the cited section or anywhere in Moshfeghi is an original data type of the HTML data object defined in underlying data located in an alternative location. Thus, Applicants' amended claim 19 is allowable over Moshfeghi for at least this reason also.

Claims 2-3, 6-18, and 20

At least because claims 2-3, 6-18, and 20 respectfully inherit the language of amended claims 1, 4, and 19, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2-3, 6-18, and 20 are also allowable over Moshfeghi for at least this reason.
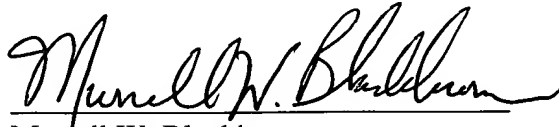
Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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